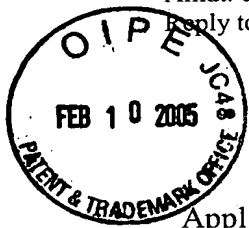


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This paper is submitted in response to the Office action having a mail date of October 7, 2004. The three month shortened statutory period for reply expired on January 7, 2005, and therefore a petition for one-month extension of time is submitted herewith. Please consider the following remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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